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Stone-throwing youths clashed with police in the main business area during yesterday's disturbances. (AFP)



Documents and cheques lie scattered on the street after rioters shattered the windows and ransacked the East Jerusalem branch of Barclays Discount Bank yesterday. (AFP)

PLO calls for general strike

Two killed as protest continues in areas

By JOEL GREENBERG and BRADLEY BURSTON
 Jerusalem Post Reporters

Fresh protests erupted yesterday in various locations in the West Bank, as the PLO called for a general strike by Palestinians tomorrow. In Gaza, unrest resumed following a shooting deaths on Friday of at least two Palestinians.

Mosques throughout the Gaza Strip took a dominant role in encouraging demonstrators to renew confrontations with Israeli authorities.

At least two demonstrators were killed and nine wounded on Friday afternoon, after widespread demonstrations broke out at the conclusion of prayer services. Trapped by large crowds at the Bureij refugee camp and at Seje'ya in northern Gaza, IDF troops opened fire on demonstrators.

Palestinian sources in Gaza indicated last night that a third demonstrator was killed Friday, and was buried immediately to preclude shipment of the body to Israel for an autopsy. But IDF sources said they had no knowledge of the incident.

One of those wounded Friday remains in "extremely critical" condition at Khan Yunis' Nasser Hospital, where he has received twenty-nine units of blood since his arrival.

Following the Friday demonstrations, which also took place in Rafiah, Jabalya, and in Shifa Hospital near Gaza, Chief of General Staff Rav Aluf Dan Shomron toured the area with OC Southern Command Aluf Yitzhak Mordechai. The Shomron visit came amid a further reinforcement of IDF forces here, and a reorganization of the local command, with a number of senior officers moved to the Gaza Strip from other areas.

Relative calm returned to the Gaza Strip by Friday evening, but tensions rose again late yesterday.

with demonstrations centering on Gaza City neighbourhoods.

Crowds gathered at a mosque in the Zeitun quarter after a Palestinian flag was flown from a minaret there. Toward evening, loudspeakers on the Salah a'Din mosque in Gaza used religious slogans to urge residents to resist the Israeli occupation.

Some time after the slogans began, the neighbourhood electric power supply was interrupted for several hours. Civil Administration sources last night denied local claims that Israeli authorities had ordered the Gaza municipality to cut off the power in an effort to silence the loudspeakers. Power was also cut at at least two other mosques here.

Last night, in a number of blacked-out neighbourhoods, incidents were reported of youths throwing stones at IDF jeep patrols.

Meanwhile, leaflets distributed last night indicate that large-scale unrest may be planned for tomorrow throughout the strip. PLO and left-communist factions in Gaza appear to have put aside their differences with Islamic fundamentalist groups, an indication, local observers claim, of leftist recognition of the fundamentalists' increasing influence in Gaza.

In the West Bank, leaflets distributed by the Fatah and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine called for continued protest.

Curfews until nightfall were clamped yesterday on the Balata and Askar refugee camps, and for several hours on the Jelazoun camp after troops used rubber bullets and tear-gas to disperse protesters who threw stones and set up barricades of rocks and burning tyres. A soldier was hurt in Jelazoun.

Stone-throwing incidents were reported in Bethlehem, apparently timed in advance of this week's

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Israeli Arabs decide on strike for tomorrow

By DAVID RUDGE
 Jerusalem Post Reporter

SHFARAM — Hundreds of thousands of Israeli Arab workers and schoolchildren are expected to stay home tomorrow in a strike to protest the " pogrom " in the territories. The decision to stage the one-day stoppage, to show solidarity with the residents of the territories, was taken at a meeting here on Friday of Arab leaders.

Meanwhile, despite torrential rain, over 2,000 people demonstrated in the streets of Nazareth yesterday in support of the "just fight of the residents of the territories to throw off the yoke of Israeli oppression."

The protest parade, organized by the communist-dominated Democratic Front for Peace and Equality (Hadash), blocked the main street for more than an hour. The demonstration, which was licensed by the

police, passed quietly.

The marchers, chanting pro-Palestinian slogans, carried placards calling for the establishment of a Palestinian state alongside Israel, and denouncing Israel's unity government as an administration of "murders."

Organizers maintained that more than 10,000 people took part in the march and subsequent rally addressed by Emile Habibi, Arab author and editor of the communist daily *al-Jihad*. Observers, however, put the number of participants at about 2,000 people. A demonstration is scheduled to be held this afternoon in Umm el-Fahm.

The Friday meeting in Shfaram was attended by all five Arab Knesset members, and 33 local council heads, as well as Arab representatives of the Histadrut, teachers and parents unions, university and high

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'Israel's world image at lowest since Lebanon war'

Strong protest by Egyptians worries Foreign Ministry

Jerusalem Post Staff and Agencies

Egypt yesterday fired off its strongest ever protest against Israel's handling of Palestinian unrest in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In their fourth protest in the last 10 days, the Egyptians issued an official statement saying that Israel's actions could wreck peace efforts in the Middle East.

"President Hosni Mubarak and all the Egyptian people are following with deep concern and dissatisfaction bloodshed in the occupied territories," it said.

"The repressive methods to which Israel resorts, its contempt for the lives of innocent old men, women and children, and its violation of international commitments all threaten the peace march in the Middle East," the statement said. "Indiscriminate shooting at civilians will only lead to more violence and tension and deepen hatred and revenge."

Mubarak had talks yesterday with Marwan Qassem, Jordan's chief of the royal palace, who delivered a letter from King Hussein about the West Bank and Gaza demonstra-

tions, Egypt's Middle East news agency reported.

In Israel, Acting Foreign Minister Ezer Weizman has been in close touch with Egypt's ambassador to Israel and with other senior Egyptian government officials in recent days. The Foreign Ministry is placing special emphasis on Egypt in its response to the growing international wave of protest against Israeli actions in the territories.

Weizman will report at today's cabinet meeting on the Foreign Ministry's proposals for the information front. The present damage to Israel's image abroad is perceived as being the worst since the Lebanon war of 1982.

Although the ministry's report will stress that the basic solution to the unrest in the West Bank is political, it will outline several suggestions for improving the flow to the media of accurate and up-to-date information on events in the territories.

Prime Minister Shamir said on Friday that what Israel was doing in Gaza and Judea and Samaria is "right and just" and that therefore Israel should have no difficulty in

explaining its position to the world.

Shamir was speaking to reporters at the Western Wall, after traversing the recently completed tunnel exposing the length of the wall with Religious Affairs Minister Zevulun Hammer.

If the Israel Defence Forces were not in Gaza, he said, the PLO would rule there.

"It is basic and simple. Our neighbours must come to terms with our presence in the country," he said.

He was saddened by the loss of life in the recent violence in the territories and he hoped that order would soon be restored, he said, adding that "we must always strive for peace."

"But it must be clear to our neighbours and especially those who incite our neighbours that violence will lead nowhere."

In Washington, President Ronald Reagan was said to be "very concerned" about the latest disturbances on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, according to White House press secretary Martin Fitzwater.

At a news briefing on Friday, Fitzwater called for "direct negotia-

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Capital turmoil marks new dimension in unrest

ANALYSIS
 Yehuda Litani

The riots are not dying out. Despite promises and assessments by the heads of the defence establishment and by some politicians to the effect that "the riots are about to die out," the unrest continues and has even spread to new locations. Yesterday's riots in East Jerusalem (and to some extent, also in Bethlehem) represent a new dimension in the turmoil in the territories since the rioting began 11 days ago.

The riots that took place in Jerusalem yesterday came not only as a response to the events in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank but also had an important local aspect — mainly, a reaction to Minister Ariel Sharon's move into the Moslem Quarter and a belated reaction to the limiting of the Jerusalem District Electric Company's concession.

That is the nature of such cycles of

riots: a particular event sparks off the first riot, but then the dynamics of the Israeli response and the feeling in the street to events such as Sharon's entry into the Moslem Quarter give extra impetus to the anger and frustration which cause riots to break out.

Are the riots in the territories and East Jerusalem directed from abroad (i.e., the PLO's leadership), or are they spontaneous? Is there a guiding hand within the territories?

Contrary to conspiracy theories, put out by Defence and Foreign ministry officials, the past two weeks of unrest have been a classic

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Shekel rises against dollar

BY AVI TEMKIN

The shekel appreciated against the dollar on Friday as the Bank of Israel set the rate of exchange at NIS 1.5479 per dollar, the lowest it has been since January's devaluation.

The new rate was almost 10 agor below the rate set right after January's 10 per cent devaluation of the shekel, and only some 4 per cent above the rate before that devaluation.

The rate of exchange of the shekel against the currency basket was set at NIS1.7081. The shekel has been

effectively pegged to the currency basket since August 1986.

The Manufacturers Association and the Industry and Trade Ministry have claimed that this has harmed exports. They have also demanded a devaluation of the shekel to boost exports, which they claim have been declining recently.

But figures released yesterday by the Central Bureau of Statistics showed a 14 per cent rise in the volume of industrial exports, excluding diamonds, in the third quarter of the year and a 9 per cent increase in diamond exports.

Arab teenagers attack banks, stone cars, set up roadblocks

'Worst-rioting ever' in East Jerusalem

By ANDY COURT
 For The Jerusalem Post

Arab teenagers stoned cars, set up flaming roadblocks and shattered the facades of four Israeli bank offices in East Jerusalem yesterday in what some veteran observers considered the worst rioting in the city in the past 20 years.

Tension, tear-gas and property damage abounded, but there were no major injuries. Three policemen and one female motorist were lightly hurt after their vehicles were stoned. Thirty-three Palestinians, 19 of them minors, were arrested during the day.

The windows of at least four police vans, a municipality van, and an Egged bus were smashed. Stone-throwing youths attacked the police station at Azariya.

Tourists at the Intercontinental Hotel on the Mount of Olives were temporarily cut off from the city yesterday morning as Arab youths heaped stones on the road leading to and from the hotel. Traffic to the Mokassed Hospital in the same area was temporarily blocked as well.

Jerusalem's city manager, Aaron Sarig, said yesterday that he did not remember disturbances of such scope and intensity in his 20 years of municipal experience.

Officials attributed the unrest to the recent shooting of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip; the general unrest in the territories; the transfer of several Jewish neighbourhoods from Arab-owned Jerusalem District Electric Company's power grid to that of the Israeli Electric Company, and Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon's move into the Old City's Moslem Quarter.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek and Police Inspector-General David

Kraus said that yesterday's disturbances were not spontaneous, but rather organized by a small group of activists.

Despite the unrest, Italian President Francesco Cossiga passed through Herod's Gate in East Jerusalem yesterday afternoon for his scheduled visit to the Old City.

Some 250 to 300 police and Border Police patrolled the city yesterday. All police leave scheduled for the next two days has been cancelled, Kraus said.

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The trouble yesterday began at about 8 a.m. when young Palestinians set up a barricade of stones in A-Tur, along the road leading to the Intercontinental Hotel. About 20 minutes later, a woman motorist driving along Jericho Road was injured in the face by a rock thrown at her car, police said.

Young demonstrators stoned the Mishkenot Haro'im restaurant in East Talpiot, near the Arab village of Jabal Mukaber, and later, at about 9:15 a.m., set part of the restaurant on fire. All of the restaurant was destroyed.

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Peace Now demonstrate

TEL AVIV (Itim) — Peace Now staged a demonstration in Tel Aviv last night against recent events in the territories. Thousands of people, including Israeli Arabs, participated in the protest.

The rally went off smoothly, except for a counter demonstration staged by 20 Batar youngsters.

Demonstrators carried placards reading: "The territories are a time bomb," "Give a chance to peace now," "An end to violence," and "Begin peace negotiations." (See Page Four)

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Stunning comeback upsets the experts' predictions

Kasparov retains title in cliffhanger

SEVILLE (Reuters) — Reigning world chess champion Gary Kasparov retained his crown with a 64-move win over challenger Anatoly Karpov in the last game of their title match yesterday.

The 24-year-old Kasparov upset experts' predictions with a stunning revival, keeping his nerve to fight back from a dramatic Karpov win in the 23rd game.

Kasparov's win in the final 24th cliffhanger game levelled the match score at 12 points all, which meant that as champion he retained his title.

After the victory, which gave Kasparov the title for another three years, the two players denied rumours they get on badly and remained on stage to analyse the game together.

Crowds of chess enthusiasts burst into the main Lope de Vega Theatre from the foyer outside to watch the spectacle, breaking into wild cheers when the two players finally left.

Kasparov, striding off one side of the stage, celebrated his victory by leaping like a football player into the arms of one of his aides. The crowd of about 1,000 people

chanted "Gary, Gary" until he returned to ecstatic applause.

Kasparov's triumph earned him prize money of \$1.32m., but this sum will be much reduced after he has paid Soviet tax of up to 69 per cent. The win was also an historic achievement in title match chess. No player has ever previously needed to win the last game to take the title and gone on to do so. On Friday night Karpov left with tears in his eyes after a desperate race against the clock ended with the final game of the world chess championship adjourned.

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AMSTERDAM	8	4	13	Cloudy
BRUSSELS	4	2	10	Cloudy
RUHR AREA	12	8	22	Clear
CHICAGO	-10	-18	-2	Snow
COPENHAGEN	4	2	10	Cloudy
FRANKFURT	5	3	13	Cloudy
GENEVA	3	4	14	Clear
HELSINKI	-5	-12	-1	Cloudy
ROME	17	13	28	Cloudy
STUTTGART	10	8	20	Cloudy
LONDON	14	10	17	Cloudy
MADRID	9	4	15	Cloudy
MUNICH	10	8	18	Cloudy
NEW YORK	-1	-5	3	Cloudy
OSLO	-4	-10	2	Cloudy
PARIS	8	4	15	Cloudy
SAO PAULO	24	20	30	Cloudy
STOCKHOLM	19	15	23	Cloudy
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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Scattered showers. Chance of floods in low areas.

	Yesterday's	Humidity	Min-Max	Today's
Jerusalem	92	7-12	11	
Golan	88	8-12	11	
Nahariya	-	11-	15	
Safed	-	-	11	
Haifa Port	-	-	15	
Tiberias	85	12-17	16	
Nazareth	82	10-15	13	
Afula	73	10-18	17	
Shomron	67	9-16	15	
Tel Aviv	79	13-18	17	
B-G Airport	85	10-17	16	
Jericho	70	11-20	18	
Gaza	70	12-19	18	
BeerSheva	81	9-18	17	
Eilat	56	13-18	20	

Wall Street stocks surge, dollar rises

NEW YORK (Reuters) — Wall Street stocks surged on Friday, lifting the key Dow index to its biggest ever weekly gain as waves of computer programme trading and optimism over the dollar's rebound sustained a buying spree.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 50.9 points to 1975.3, according to unofficial figures. The 30-share index gained nearly 108 points in the week, besting the previous week's previous record 100.3-point gain.

The market's rise came despite early fears that Friday's triple expiration of stock index futures, index options and individual stock options — the first "triple witching" since the October 19 crash — would rattle investors.

The market took heart after Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told a congressional panel that October's record \$17.63 billion trade deficit was an aberration. His comments lifted the dollar sharply from record lows earlier in Tokyo, helping to calm the stock market's worries about the effects of a prolonged dollar fall.

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HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

Shamir may have ministers vote today

Last-minute jockeying for position before budget vote in cabinet

BY AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter
Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir will decide today, during the cabinet meeting, whether to hold a vote on the proposed state budget, or to delay it for one week as demanded by Labour Party ministers.
Economics and Planning Minister Gad Ya'acobi tried over the weekend to persuade Finance Minister Moshe Nissim to agree to put off the vote, but a spokesman for Nissim said yesterday that the finance minister was convinced that it should take place today.
Ya'acobi told Shamir and Nissim that Labour Party ministers agreed with the budget proposal, but they had "reservations" about the proposals regarding the Health and

Education ministries, and the funds allocated for settlements. The Labour Party strongly opposes the introduction of user charges for health services and tuition fees in high schools.
Ya'acobi proposed referring the issues on which there was no agreement to the economic inner cabinet, a body composed of Nissim, Shamir, Vice Premier Shimon Peres and Ya'acobi himself.
Labour Party ministers are due to meet today before the cabinet meeting for last minute consultations. On Friday, they met with party representatives at the Histadrut central committee. The Labour federation heads demanded that the ministers vote against the budget.



Soldiers in gas masks order Palestinians off the Temple Mount after Friday's demonstrations. (AFP)

A day of chaos in Jerusalem

By JOEL GREENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
For the first time since it came under Israeli rule, East Jerusalem yesterday took on the appearance of riot-ravaged cities in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.
Shops were shuttered and the streets deserted, littered with piles of rock and shards of glass, barricades of garbage bins, burning furniture and junk. Clouds of tear-gas were everywhere.
A half-hour after the pitched battle between some 200 stone-throwing teenagers and Border Police on the main Salah a-Din thoroughfare, street-cleaners and municipality bulldozers were cleaning up the mess. A well-dressed moneychanger, a look of incredulity on his face, picked his way through the rubble.
Detachments of Border Police, some wearing gas-masks, were doing their own "mopping up" of the last pockets of resistance, chasing after the remnants of the crowd through side streets.
Normality and chaos mixed freely. As traffic moved slowly down Rechov Hatzaanhanim and a pair of tourists strolled down Salah a-Din, a group of policemen stood on the next corner and fired salvos of tear-gas

canisters at teenagers who taunted them from the corner of a-Zahra Street.
A group of Border Police, trailed by television crews and reporters, tried to surprise the kids on a-Zahra from a side alley, but had to beat a hasty retreat when a tear-gas canister was thrown back at them. The reporters held onions to their noses as tears streamed from their eyes and the gas seared their throats. A man squatted near a wall, coughing and heaving.
The police headed down a-Zahra and took up positions well away from the retreating crowd. "Come here you maniac," shouted a teenager as his colleagues, some of whose faces were hidden by keffiyehs, hurled stones at the Border Police.
Unlike IDF troops in the territories, the police kept a safe distance from the crowd and did not fire a shot. "Tear-gas unit forward!" shouted a commander, and several men advanced, firing a noisy volley. The students retreated, and the Border Police pulled back.
They walked past the smashed remains of a sign at a Bank Hapoalim branch. The bank's front window, though protected by a metal grill, was full of holes punched by stones.

A white plume of tear-gas smoke rose near the central bus station, where vendors fled from their stalls and tourists held their hands to their faces.
An Arab journalist who witnessed the clash on Salah a-Din said it had included students from several schools, including boys and girls who were not regulars in such protests. "They had no leader," he said. "Everyone moved on his own."
He said the demonstrators shouted both Islamic and political chants: "God is Great; There is no God but Allah and Muhammad is His Messenger; With Spirit and Blood We Will Redeem the Martyrs; Sharon Out."
At about noon it began to rain, damping down the clouds of tear-gas. The Border Police took cover inside Damascus Gate.
A group of small schoolgirls in striped outfits, fleeing a cloud of gas, came out of the gate, shepherded by their teachers. Tears were streaming from their eyes, and some were crying.
Up the hill and around the corner, at Jaffa Gate, black-garbed Orthodox Jews headed home to west Jerusalem for the Sabbath meal.
Never did the "united city" look so divided.



Italian President Francesco Cossiga (left) and Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti on the Temple Mount yesterday. (Andre Bruttman)

'Unrest is price of not pursuing Peres peace initiative' — Eban

By PINHAS LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Abba Eban, chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, said last night that the riots in the occupied territories and East Jerusalem illustrate that Israel is "paying a very heavy price for the blocking of the Peres peace initiative."
In an interview with The Jerusalem Post, Eban noted that Prime Minister Shamir's belief that time is on Israel's side is being refuted with every passing day. He described the government's current policy on the peace front as "finding out what the other side doesn't want and offering it to them."

"For the first time in Israel's history, all the avenues of contact are hermetically sealed. The government is not holding any talks with Arab notables in the territories," he added. "There is no historical precedent, either here or abroad, for this kind of situation being resolved by purely military means. The IDF is doing its best, but you can't put all the onus on the military side."
Eban criticized the absence at this

time of Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, calling it "demoralizing." He said that his committee would demand a report from Rabin as soon as the defence minister returned and was briefed by his staff.
Asked what line might be taken by the proposed information campaign in response to growing foreign condemnation of Israel over its handling of the recent unrest, Eban said that the expectation that such a campaign could achieve anything was "ludicrous."
"The first thing to do is to address the reality on the ground through a political process. The world press and foreign criticism merely reflect that reality, so that the idea of treating the issue as a hasbara problem baffles me."

Eban attacked last week's celebration of Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon's new house in the Moslem Quarter of East Jerusalem as "a festival of gluttony." Although Mayor Teddy Kolek had advised strongly against holding a large ceremony, Sharon had gone ahead and the Prime Minister also attended. Sharon's move was "legal but insensitive," Eban said.

Two terrorists, SLA man killed in security zone

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter
METULLA — Two terrorists and a South Lebanese Army soldier were killed Friday morning in a clash in the Security Zone in South Lebanon, sources in the region reported.
SLA troops were on patrol north of El Khiam village when they were ambushed by a squad of terrorists, believed to have been members of the Lebanese Communist Party.
One SLA soldier was killed and four others wounded in the shoot-out. Reinforcements were rushed to the scene and troops, including members of the patrol, pursued the gunmen.
They caught up with the ambush-

ers and in the ensuing firefight, two of the terrorists were killed. Kalachnikov rifles and ammunition were found alongside the bodies of the gunmen.
A temporary curfew was imposed on El Khiam during the course of the operation.
The National Resistance Movement, a pseudonym for the Lebanese Communist Party, in statements to the Lebanese media, claimed responsibility for the ambush. The communists also took credit for last Wednesday's abortive assault on SLA stronghold near Hazbiyeh village and a subsequent clash with IDF troops in which six attackers were killed.

Teddy: 'Rioting was organized -- not a revolt'

By ANDY COURT
For The Jerusalem Post
The rioting in Jerusalem yesterday was an "intentional and organized" effort by a small group of inciters and not a sign of civil revolt, Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek said yesterday.
The fact that youths in different parts of the city began throwing stones and blocking roads at roughly the same time is evidence that the disturbances were planned and coordinated in advance, he told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.
Kolek described the disturbances as a "difficult blow" to the city, but



Teddy Kolek (Aliza Auerbach)

said that the events should not be exaggerated out of proportion since there were no major injuries or deaths.
It is hard to measure the extent to which Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon's new apartment in the Moslem Quarter may have caused the disturbances, but Kolek believes that Sharon's move undoubtedly played some part.
"The disturbances are mostly a result of what is happening in the territories," he said. "But in a situation like this, every match can start a fire, and Sharon moving into the Moslem Quarter is more than a match."

Jeanne Kirkpatrick: 'Reasonable force' o.k. to quell riots

LOD (Itim) — Jeanne Kirkpatrick, former U.S. ambassador to the UN, said on arriving at Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday that "reasonable force" should be used to suppress the riots in the territories.
Kirkpatrick is here to take part in the Jeanne Kirkpatrick Forum symposium on state building, which opened yesterday evening at Beit Hatfutsot. Among those expected to take part in the forum are Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Photographer attacked by youth says police wouldn't help him

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A news photographer was attacked yesterday afternoon at Beit Lahia, north of Gaza, by three stone-throwing youths, but police refused to investigate the incident, saying they were under strict orders not to send out cars.
Ben-Ami Neumann was taking pictures at the spot where a security man was filmed by television cameras shooting at demonstrators last week. The youths came out of a nearby orchard, with rocks in their hands, and approached the photographer from behind. One of them

took his camera bag.
Neumann is head of Media Images and also works for The Jerusalem Post. "I was frightened like hell. One of them had a very large stone," he said. "In principle, I don't carry arms, and I didn't know what to do. Luckily I kept the engine running and was able to get away."
The large stone was thrown at the car, shattering the windshield and injuring Neumann in the shoulder. Police were called from the Erez military roadblock, but refused to come.

'WORST-RIOTS EVER'

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fired his pistol in the air at about 1:30 p.m. after stone-throwing youths smashed the windows of his home, police said.
There were a number of other disturbances as well, including stone-throwing at the "Coca-Cola intersection" near Anata in north Jerusalem and the road in front of Ibrahimiyyah College on the slope of the Mount of Olives.

Friday was a calm in East Jerusalem except for a midday confrontation between police and marchers on the Temple Mount, where a prayer was said for the Palestinians shot during clashes with the IDF.
Security forces turned back many worshippers from the West Bank at roadblocks outside the city. Only about 5,000 people arrived for prayer as a result. At the end of the service, a few hundred people began to march in the large courtyard area containing the Al-Aksa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock, chanting nationalist slogans. Among the chants: "Sharon Out."

Italian FM gets plea on areas

By JOEL GREENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Pro-PLO Palestinian public figures from the West Bank and Gaza Strip called for an international force to be stationed in the territories in a memorandum they submitted during a meeting yesterday with Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti.
Andreotti told the Palestinians Italy would support a UN security resolution on the recent unrest submitted by the non-aligned nations, participants said. The resolution is expected to condemn Israeli security measures in the areas. Andreotti also promised aid for projects in Gaza: construction of a juice factory, a harbour, and a polytechnic institute.
Andreotti was joined at the conclusion of the meeting, at the Italian consulate in Jerusalem, by visiting Italian president Francesco Cossiga.
The Palestinians attending the meetings were Birzeit University professor Sari Nusseibeh, the university president, Gabi Baramki, deposed Hebron mayor Mustafa Natshe, Bethlehem mayor Elias Freij, deposed Gaza mayor Rashid Shawwa, and Gaza lawyer Fayez Abu Rahme. Freij and Shawwa, who are considered supporters of Jordan, did not sign the memorandum.

Alleged torture by GSS denied in terror case

The State Attorney's Office on Friday denied that the General Security Service (Shin Bet) had tortured a terrorist arrested at sea, in its response to a petition submitted to the High Court of Justice.
Feisal Abu Sharach was arrested on a passenger boat sailing from Lebanon to Cyprus in September 1985. He was held in administrative detention, and subsequently charged in the Lod military court with membership in a hostile organization and assisting terrorist activity.
In a petition to the High Court, Sharach's lawyer, Amnon Zichroni, stated that his client was tortured by the Shin Bet. He also argued that because Sharach was seized beyond Israel's territorial waters, the Lod court lacked jurisdiction to try him.

The State Attorney's Office argued that just as a criminal court may try crimes committed abroad, so too may the military courts.
No date has been set yet for the High Court hearing of the case, (Itim)

Judge turns down Anne Pollard's bid for clemency

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON — A U.S. federal judge has rejected Anne Henderson-Pollard's request that her five-year prison sentence be reduced because of poor health.
Judge Aubrey Robinson refused last week to reduce her sentence to the time she has already served.
Henderson-Pollard was sentenced last March 4 to five years in prison for illegally possessing classified documents. She is now expected to serve 40 to 52 months before becoming eligible for parole.

Her husband, Jonathan Jay Pollard, received a life sentence for espionage on behalf of Israel. Technically, he becomes eligible for parole after 10 years but government prosecutors have predicted that he will "never see the light of day."
Judge Robinson has not yet ruled on his sentence reduction appeal.
On Friday, meanwhile, Henderson-Pollard was returned to federal prison from the Mayo Medical Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, where she had undergone tests related to her rare stomach disorder. Since her arrest, she has lost over 60 pounds.

Her father, Bernard Henderson, however, told The Jerusalem Post that the entire Mayo examination was merely "a set-up" by the government designed to show that his daughter was not really sick.
Henderson said he and other sympathizers would now intensify their political efforts designed to get both Pollards released from jail so that they could go to Israel.

Hussein off to Moscow

MOSCOW (AFP) — King Hussein of Jordan will arrive here tomorrow for an official visit.
According to Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov, Hussein's talks here will focus on a Middle East settlement, the possibility of holding an international Middle East conference and "the need for an end to the Iran-Iraq war."
Gerasimov noted that Jordan on most international issues "holds positions which are close to the Soviet Union's."

FOREIGN NEWS

Rioting continues in South Korea over alleged vote-rigging

SEOUL (Reuters) — Thousands of students and citizens battled police in post-election protests in several South Korean cities yesterday as defeated opposition leaders pledged to meet him for post-election reform and "national reconciliation."

The opposition has accused the ruling camp of huge poll-rigging. The government denies this.

Kim Young-Sam has vowed to "overthrow the Chun-Roh military regime for stealing the sovereignty of the people."

Independent South Korean media and political analysts say the pre-poll split between the Kims was the main reason for their election defeat, and they have urged the two to accept the poll results and help bring fuller democracy to the country.

Many suggested the two Kims resign as opposition leaders or quit politics altogether because the opposition would have easily won the presidential poll if the political twins had kept a pledge to field only one of them against a strong government camp.

Disident Professor Kim Dong-Kil, an editorial adviser to the influential *Chosun Ilbo* newspaper, noted in an article that the two Kims' combined votes exceeded Roh's by a four million vote margin.

The results, as officially announced by the independent Central Election Management Committee, were: Roh Tae-Woo won 36.6 per cent of the total votes cast, Kim Young-Sam, 28 per cent, and Kim Dae-Jung, 27 per cent.

Conservative former prime minister Kim Jong-Pil got 8.1 per cent and the fifth and last candidate, Shin Jeong-Yul, an obscure sect leader, just about one-fifth of one per cent.

Police made scores of arrests as demonstrators, shouting "Down with Roh-Tae-Woo and military dictatorship" and "Nullify (last Wednesday's) elections," jammed the streets of Kwangju, site of a 1980 uprising, when 193 died.

Similar clashes were reported in several other cities yesterday. A number of police boxes and cars were set ablaze, witnesses said.

In Seoul, hundreds of radical students occupied overnight the grounds of a Roman Catholic cathedral, demanding that ex-general Roh, President Chun Doo-Hwan's choice for successor, be nullified as president-elect.

A student protest on the church grounds in June sparked weeks of anti-government demonstrations that forced Chun to accept sweeping democratic reforms, leading up to Wednesday's poll — South Korea's first direct presidential vote in 16 years.

Rival opposition leaders Kim Dae-Jung and Kim Young-Sam re-

Mystery woman begins to talk in Korea air disaster

SEOUL (Reuters) — South Korea said yesterday that a mid-air explosion destroyed the Korean Air Lines (KAL) airliner that went missing near Burma last month and state radio said a mystery woman suspected of planting a bomb in it had broken silence.

The Transport Ministry announced the authorities were convinced the plane was destroyed mid-air after examining the wreckage recovered in the Andaman sea by a Burmese ship earlier this month. A ministry spokesman said the government ruled out the possibility any of the 115 passengers and crew on board the plane could be alive.

The announcement coincided with news that the Asian woman suspect started talking to investigators after recovering from horrors that overwhelmed her since she was extradited from Bahrain.

The Korea Broadcasting System quoted investigators as saying she was either Japanese or Chinese but not Korean. The state radio said it was the first time the woman had broken silence since her arrival here last Tuesday. She and her elderly male companion, who both got off the ill-fated Baghdad-to-Seoul flight during a stopover in Abu Dhabi, tried to commit suicide in Bahrain two days later while being questioned for carrying fake Japanese passports. The man died after swallowing a cyanide capsule but the woman survived. South Korean newspapers have described her as a "human black box" which could confirm Seoul's theory that the Boeing 707 was destroyed by a terrorist bomb, probably planted by a North Korean agent.

The Transport Ministry spokesman said the government believed an explosive device caused a mid-air blast but added: "We have yet to determine firmly whether the explosion was caused by a bomb."

North Korea has denied any connection with the disaster.

Bush 'supported' Iran hostage deal

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — A congressional committee on Thursday released White House notes that said for the first time that Vice President George Bush supported an attempt to free American hostages in Lebanon by selling arms to Iran.

"Most importantly, [the] president and vice president are solid in taking the position that we have to try," former national security adviser Adm. John Poindexter wrote in a February 1, 1986 memorandum on the Iranian arms sale.

The note to Poindexter's predecessor, Robert McFarlane, obtained by the joint congressional committee investigating the Iran-Contra affair from White House computer files, also pointed out that Secretary of State George Shultz and Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger opposed the operation.

"It is... the first evidence (albeit hearsay) the committees has found concerning the vice president's position on the Iran initiative," the committee said.

Steve Hart, Bush's spokesman, said the report was consistent with Bush's own statements and was not new.



Gary Kasparov, right, who retained his world chess title yesterday, in the final stages of the contest with challenger Anatoly Karpov in Sevilla at the weekend. (AFP)

Boesky is jailed for three years

YORK (Reuters) — Ivan Boesky was on Friday sentenced to three years in prison for his role in Wall Street's biggest insider trading scandal, shortly after his lawyer revealed that the powerful financier had given authorities information on wrongdoing at five major brokerage firms.

Boesky, 50, has been cooperating for months with Federal officials on the exchange of confidential information about companies for use in making vast investment profits, hoping this would result in a lighter sentence.

He showed no emotion Friday as Judge Morris Lasker told him: "The signal must go out, loud and clear... Criminal behaviour such as (yours) cannot go unchecked."

In pleading that Boesky not be sent to jail, defence lawyer Leon Silverman sent a chill through Wall Street, saying his client had given authorities information about violations by five major brokerage firms and 14 individuals.

In passing sentence, Lasker said: "The time has come when it is totally unacceptable for courts to act as if prison is unthinkable for white-collar defendants but a matter of routine in other cases." Boesky, the man Wall Street once admiringly called "Ivan the Terrible," was now "humiliated, vilified and cut down to size," the judge said.

Boesky faced a maximum penalty of five years in jail and a \$250,000 fine for conspiring to make false statements to the government. But the judge did not impose a fine on the financier, who has agreed to pay \$100 million to settle civil charges brought by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

'Pravda' says INF agreement paves the way 'Kremlin ready to make big cuts in conventional arms'

MOSCOW (Reuters) — The Communist Party daily *Pravda* said yesterday that cutting conventional arms would be difficult but the experience gained by the superpowers in agreeing to scrap medium-range nuclear missiles could help.

Pravda said Moscow was ready to make substantial cuts in conventional arms in Europe but added that since the signing of the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) treaty in Washington on December 8 opponents of international cooperation were seeking new ways of stopping disarmament.

"This really is a difficult problem but now both sides have the experience of working out the INF agreement. This experience must be used to the full to solve the problem of conventional arms," it said.

Pravda criticized speculation on the difficulties of cutting conventional arms in Europe.

The Nato Western alliance says Warsaw Pact forces in Europe considerably outnumber its own.

Some Western politicians have said removal of medium- and shorter-range nuclear arms under the INF treaty make cuts in conventional arms even more important.

General Nikolai Chernov, head of a department at the Armed Forces General Staff, assured readers of the armed forces daily *Krasnaya Zvezda* that the INF treaty, which will eliminate 1,759 Soviet missiles compared with 859 U.S. ones, bolstered rather than undermined Soviet security. While attacking Western opponents of disarmament, the Soviet media have suggested that some people at home may be uneasy about the INF treaty.



Pakistani opposition leader Benazir Bhutto with Karachi businessman Asif Ali Zardari at their wedding reception in Karachi at the weekend. (AFP)

Famine relief for Africans could be hampered by 'compassion fatigue'

NAIROBI (Reuters) — Only three years after Africa's great drought, rains have failed again and hunger once more stalks the world's poorest continent.

Villagers trek for days in Ethiopia to get foreign food handouts and children are already dying of diseases brought on by malnutrition, relief officials say. There and elsewhere, the landscape is devastated. Cattle have died, crops withered and rivers dried up. Relief workers are battling to stop the ranks of refugees from growing.

Irish pop star Bob Geldof, of Band Aid and Live Aid fame, is trying again to focus world attention on Ethiopia where five million people face starvation, and war-torn Mozambique where malnutrition and infant mortality rates are among the world's highest. But fears that Ethiopia's plight might not evoke the public concern shown in 1985 raise a question over how 18 other African nations facing food shortages might fare.

"Compassion fatigue is setting in," said Zia Rizvi, secretary-general of the Geneva-based independent commission on international humanitarian issues.

"The second crisis has already started and it comes at a time when people are already sick of listening to horror stories in Ethiopia," he said last week.

Up to one million Ethiopians died in the 1984-85 famine, according to estimates of the United Nations Children's Fund.

Relief agencies have identified 18 other African countries in need of food because of crop failure resulting from drought, locusts and war.

Starting with Mauritania in the west the drought belt, shaped like a question mark, stretches east across the continent to Somalia then bends south to Swaziland.

It sweeps through Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Nigeria, Chad, Sudan, Ethiopia, Uganda, Zaire, Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Angola, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Botswana, gripped by drought for the sixth year in a row.

Ceasefire moves in Nicaragua

MANAGUA (Reuters) — Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega on Friday named two Americans and a West German politician as specialist advisers in a second round of ceasefire talks with U.S.-backed Contra rebels.

A Roman Catholic church spokesman, meanwhile, said rebels had agreed to a brief Christmas truce decreed unilaterally by the left-wing Sandinista government on Wednesday.

Ortega told reporters Hans-Juergen Wischniewski, a leader of West Germany's Social Democrat party and Americans Roger Fisher and Paul Reichler would meet rebel representatives in the Dominican Republic tomorrow to discuss ways of arranging a permanent ceasefire in the five-year-old war.

But a separate government commission of Nicaraguan negotiators attending the talks would meet only with Nicaraguan church primates Cardinal Miguel Obando y Bravo, who is acting as intermediary in the negotiations, Ortega said.

Church spokesman Bismarck Carballo said Contra leader Aristides Sanchez had informed Obando on Friday the rebels would respect a truce on December 24 and 25 which had been decreed by Ortega on Wednesday. This would be the first mutually-agreed truce since fighting began in 1982.

A first round of talks in the Dominican Republic earlier this month, in which Obando shuttled back and forth between each delegation, ended in deadlock.

Hostages will pay, Jihad group warns Israel

BEIRUT (Reuters) — The Islamic Jihad for the Liberation of Palestine said on Friday it would take reprisals against the U.S., Israel and "the four American Mossad spies" unless Israel's crackdown on Palestinian unrest in the occupied territories stopped.

The threat, the fifth by the terrorist group, was accompanied by photographs of two of the four foreign hostages who have been held by the group since January 24.

In the photographs, American teachers Jesse Turner, 39, and Robert Pollitt, 53, looking frightened and haggard. Pollitt had two sub-machineguns aimed at his head.

The wives of the four hostages appeared yesterday for their husbands to be released. They also asked the kidnappers to show that the four — an Indian and three American academics — were in good health and cited their husbands' support for "human rights, freedom and peace for all."

"Again we appeal for the release of these men who came here and stayed to help promote higher education and understanding," said yesterday's statement, signed by the wives of the kidnapped professors.

Turner, Pollitt, Alan Stoen, 48, and Indian Mithleshwar Singh, 60, were seized by gunmen disguised as policemen on January 24 from Beirut University college, where they worked.

The four wives issued a similar plea to the kidnappers on Tuesday after Beirut's conservative *Al-Liwan* newspaper said one of the American teachers would be released soon in Moslem West Beirut.

In another move, Lebanon's Italian community issued an appeal in Beirut newspapers for news of Italian businessman Alberto Molinari, who disappeared on September 11, 1985.

Molinari, 68, vanished after setting off to drive across the Green Line battle zone dividing Christian East and Moslem West Beirut. No group has said it is holding him.

He is one of at least 24 foreigners missing, believed kidnapped, in Lebanon.

U.S. Navy escorts Danish tanker

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — U.S. Navy warships yesterday escorted a Danish supertanker through the Straits of Hormuz after Iranian vessels attacked it twice, the owners said.

It was the second time in two days that American ships have escorted merchant vessels that do not fly the stars and stripes, although their primary mission is to protect U.S.-flag vessels.

Iranian Revolutionary Guards in speedboats fired light weapons at the 337,700-ton Karama Maersk.

There were no reports of casualties. The ship, laden with Saudi Arabian oil bound for the U.S., suffered minor damage in the attack.

There was no immediate comment from the Pentagon, which had denied reports that the Navy on Friday escorted the 290,762-ton Norwegian supertanker Happy Karl.

The "tanker war," an offshoot of the 7-year-old Iran-Iraq conflict, has peaked this month with 19 vessels hit so far.

French court lifts ban on 'No Holocaust' journal

By MICHEL ZLOTOWSKI
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS — The Paris court of justice has decided to lift the ban on the sale of the *Annales d'Histoire Revisionniste*, a quarterly heralding the thesis of the Revisionist pseudo-historians, who deny the fact of the Holocaust.

The annals had been taken off the newstands last May. Their publication, the very day the Klaus Barbie trial started in Lyon, was regarded as a blatant provocation by eight French resistance associates who asked the court to forbid their circulation.

French Interior Minister Charles Pasqua recently announced that he would try to have a law passed forbidding, as in West Germany, the publication of articles denying that the Holocaust had indeed occurred.

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Some men crack in the heat of battle -- the IDF tries to find out why

By JUDY SIEGEL

The Israel Defence Forces Medical Corps is conducting a major study of over 700 frontline troops who served in Lebanon in an attempt to understand which soldiers are more liable to suffer from shell shock.

An analysis of the ongoing study, prepared by Rav-Seren (Maj.) Zava Solomon — head of the research branch of the Medical Corps' Mental Health Department — has just been published in the English-language quarterly, *IDF Journal*. The longitudinal study (in which the same individuals are followed over a long period) began a year after the IDF withdrew the bulk of its troops from Lebanon in 1985. Five thousand copies of the magazine went out last week to subscribers in Israel and abroad.

The sample consisted of two groups. One included 382 soldiers who had received treatment for "combat stress reaction" (CSR) in IDF mental-health facilities during or shortly after the war. All these subjects had been referred for psychiatric treatment by their battalion physicians and were diagnosed as

having CSR by clinicians experienced in combat-related disorders. The second group, comprising 332 soldiers, came from the same frontline units as the first but had shown no symptoms of shell shock. The two groups were matched for age, education, military rank and assignment.

CSR is the IDF term for a breakdown in battle, according to Solomon, who holds a doctorate in psychiatric epidemiology from the University of Pittsburgh and is a lecturer at Tel Aviv University.

She gave some examples of CSR: "A stricken soldier may run amok or stop in his tracks; he may burst into laughter or into tears; he may lose control of his bodily functions. The symptoms occur in no apparent order, but common to all of them is a total breakdown in military functioning, often endangering the soldier and his companions." Sometimes, she added, the episode can leave the soldier with long-term reactions that interfere with his personal, family and social lives.

In Israel, CSR is of particular concern because the same soldiers may fight in a succession of wars. Mil-



tary planners must face the question of whether a previous bout of CSR is a reason not to send the soldier back to the front.

According to results so far in both groups, some 66 per cent of those in the sample who had CSR during a previous war broke down again in Lebanon, while novices who had never been tested on the battlefield had a 57 per cent CSR rate. Those with the lowest rate were battle veterans who had no CSR in previous wars. "Only 44 per cent of these subjects who had managed to cope with the stress of combat in the past had breakdowns in Lebanon," the major discovered.

Solomon told *The Jerusalem Post* that these rates do not at all represent the rate of shell shock among IDF soldiers, as the sample was not representative, and consisted of a larger group of soldiers who were stricken, and a smaller group of soldiers who were not affected in battle. The actual rate of shell shock in the IDF is a "military secret" and "very much lower" than the relative figures given in the article.

Researchers explain that soldiers who come through a war without

physical or emotional injury gain a sense of mastery and competence, while those who break down are discouraged and pessimistic and lose their self-confidence, leading to a vicious circle.

She concludes from the figures that "those who are more resilient to begin with stay more resilient as a group, and these statistics suggest something of the remarkable stamina of many veterans of multiple wars. But the figures also indicate that between one-third and one-half previously unscathed veterans succumb to CSR when sent to war again."

The Israeli findings have been consistent with U.S. studies of World War II and the Korean War, in which battle intensity is the most reliable predictor of combat stress reactions. "If the battle is intense enough for a long enough period of time, every last soldier will eventually break down, whatever his predisposition or previous experience," writes Solomon. The American research found that if a soldier was involved in intensive battles for 220 consecutive days, he was extremely likely to break down.

One incident of shell shock does not automatically mean another one. "A second attack is certainly not inevitable. About a third of our sample with prior CSR did not experience it again in Lebanon, while about 40 per cent of those with no record of a previous breakdown did."

Exactly why some soldiers get CSR more readily than others and why some casualties are apparently able to bounce back after a single occurrence remains to be understood.

As for treatment, soldiers at the front are allowed to sleep as much as they want, given good food and provided with psychologists and psychiatrists who sit with them and talk. They are assured that shell shock can happen to any soldier, and that they are not "crazy." In most cases, this treatment is enough to enable them to return to their frontline units. In a minority of cases, they need longer-term psychiatric help.

Aliya next month for Yosef Begun and family

By DAVID BAKER

Former Prisoner of Zion Yosef Begun and his family are scheduled to arrive in Israel on January 18, the Israel Public Council for Soviet Jewry announced over the weekend.

In a telephone conversation on Friday from his Moscow apartment, Begun, 56, said that his family had completed the necessary travel arrangements, and will arrive in Israel



Yosef Begun waving to the press in Moscow (AFP)

on a flight via Bucharest.

The Begun family's aliya has run up against repeated obstacles since Yosef first applied for an exit visa 16 years ago. In September, Begun, a Hebrew teacher, and his wife Ina, were suddenly informed that they were free to leave for Israel.

However, Soviet authorities refused to let Begun's daughter-in-law Yanna leave due to her father's objections. Last month, the authorities dropped the parental consent regulation, and Yanna and her husband Boris Begun were told that they too could emigrate.

However, the young couple demanded the right to retain their Soviet citizenship after emigrating in order to be able to return to the USSR to visit relatives.

When the Kremlin refused to budge on that issue, Yosef Begun announced that he would not leave without his son and daughter-in-law, and increased his activities on behalf of Soviet Jewry.

Finally, Boris and Yanna agreed to relinquish their Soviet citizenship, paving the way for the entire family's arrival next month.

10 men in Mychynllyth and other Jewish Wales

By ANDY COURT

For *The Jerusalem Post* If you've ever tried to drum up a minyan in Mychynllyth, you can appreciate the historic predicament of the Jews of Wales.

Tucked away in tiny towns in the largely Methodist countryside of southwestern Britain, Welsh Jews have sometimes had to walk over mountains to reach the nearest synagogue. Yet despite the difficulties, they managed to preserve their traditions and establish places of worship in buildings resembling churches, guest houses, and coal miners' dormitories.

An exhibition of paintings and sketches of synagogues in Wales opens tonight at 6 p.m. at the International Cultural Centre For Youth on Rehov Emek Refaim in Jerusa-

lem's German Colony. A reunion of Welsh immigrants in Israel will be held right after the opening.

Wales' Jewish community reached a peak size of about 5,000 — about 1 per cent of the population — between the two World Wars, according to Arthur Reed, editor of *Cajex*, a magazine for South Wales Jewry.

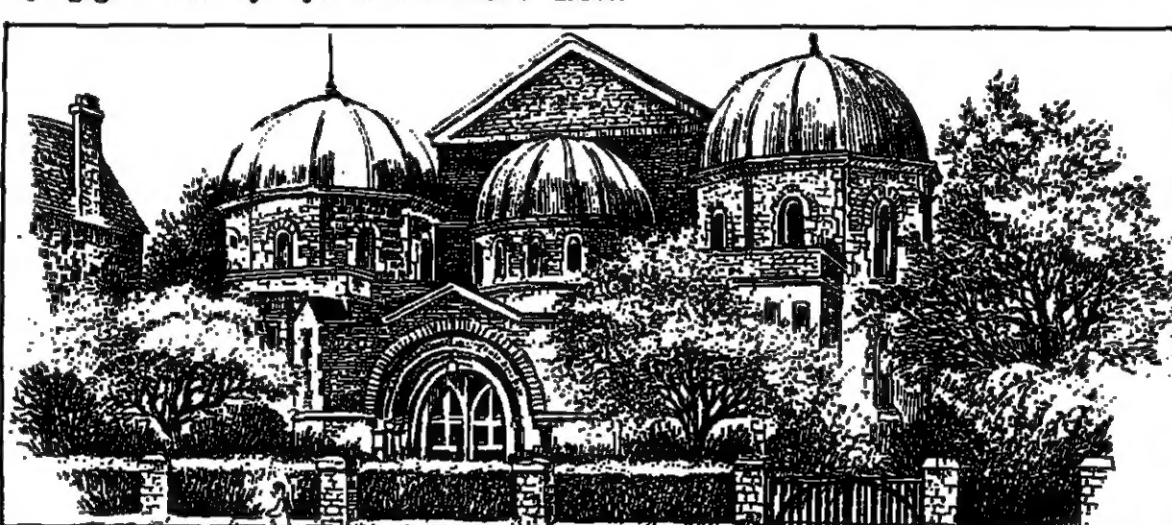
"Most of the Jews who came to Wales were itinerant pedlars," Reed said. "They came from Eastern Europe and they were looking for the golden state. Some came hoping to make it to America. They would sell anything, particularly drapery. I would say that they came to Wales for three reasons: family, Jewish contacts, and the general idea that this was a place where they could make a living."

Artist Olwen Hughes' sketches and paintings will be on display for about three weeks at the ICCY, before they make their way to the Welsh Folk Museum at St. Fagan's, Cardiff.

The sketches will also help preserve the memory of synagogues that are no longer in use, as Wales' Jewish community has shrunk to about 2,000 people and is concentrated in population centres such as Cardiff.

The synagogue exhibition is sponsored by the Israel Information Centre in Wales, the Welsh-Israel Friendship League, the External Relations Department of the World Zionist Organization, the British Settlers Association and the Education Ministry.

Below: a 1986 sketch of the synagogue in Cathedral Road in Cardiff. At right: the congregation of the synagogue at Merthyr Tydfil in the 1920s or 1930s.



10,000 wild doves killed by rat poison

Jerusalem Post Reporter Some 10,000 wild doves were killed last week in the vicinity of Kibbutz Gat by a poison set by kibbutz members to kill mice. Nature Reserves Authority officials reported yesterday.

Children of the kibbutz, near Kiryat Gat, are helping to collect the dead doves to prevent them from being eaten by other animals. Birds of prey and other animals were also poisoned.

NRA officials have warned hunters that doves should not be eaten as they could be poisonous.

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The outdoor sculpture that stood high enough to look down on the Peace Now rally outside the Tel Aviv museum last night was Menashe Kadishman's "Sacrifice of Isaac."

The ram is huge and flat. Abraham and Isaac are much smaller, almost human-sized.

That the Moslems believe Ishmael and not Isaac was the one under the knife only adds to the irony, when the land is burning and so much is predictable — the way the Arabs demonstrate in Jerusalem, the way the Jews demonstrate in Tel Aviv.

The Jews demonstrate in Tel Aviv with placards and flares brought from a kibbutz to be used as Hanukkah candles. They mill about like at a huge outdoor party. Before the speeches, Arik Einstein sings about being at home, and Shalom Hanoch about the Messiah not calling.

The young ones, but old enough to be going to the army soon, have enough enthusiasm to chant the slogans that the older ones chanted years ago.

"Two states for two people... Fascism won't pass here... Peace yes, war no."

On the stage, there are faces as familiar as those in the crowd, for in such a small country, those on either side of the spectrum who choose to become involved in politics become recognizable. There are people in the crowd who as high schoolers wrote to Golda Meir in the early 1970s, saying that they'd have difficulty serving in the army if they didn't believe the government was doing everything possible to advance the cause of peace.

MKs Elazar Granot and Shulamit Aloni make their predictable remarks. Dr. Zakaria al-A'ga, chairman of the Gaza Doctors Association,

Predictable protest

Tel Aviv Tel Aviv
Robert Rosenberg



Peace Now demonstration in Tel Aviv last night (Reuters)

tion is a new face, and he starts his speech with "Shalom."

But it's during his speech that the Bat Yam branch of Betar begins singing "Two banks to the River Jordan, this one's ours and that one as well."

Attention is diverted to the teenagers from Bat Yam who sit down in a circle.

Youngsters the same age surround them, and for a moment, under the shadows of the "Sacrifice of Isaac" there is a vision of one possible future: These singing this song, and those chanting "Fascism won't pass here." Someone yells out

"that's the PLO's song," as if with that one bit of logic, he discredits both the PLO and Betar and expects the Betar kids to change their minds. But his words are lost in the start of the scuffle.

Border Policemen don't use bullets, whether rubber or steel-jacketed, on demonstrators outside the Tel Aviv museum. Policemen on horseback edged into the crowd, separating the Betar singers, who continued to claim it all, from the Peace Now chanters who defied the claims.

Someone on the stage mentions the number 400,000, a number that has taken on magical proportions in the now decade-long history of Peace Now. That's how many people supposedly jammed into the nighttime shadows of Tel Aviv City Hall and another sculpture — Yigael Tumarkin's Holocaust Memorial — in 1982, after the Begin government's response to the Sabra and Shatila massacres was that it was a "blood libel" directed against Israel.

Last night there were maybe 5,000 people, probably less, in the museum plaza. It's just enough to hint that something's happening here, and not only over the Green Line. But it's not 400,000.

When 293 people were murdered in Sabra and Shatila, about 1,300 Israelis per refugee camp casualty demonstrated. Last night there were only about 300 Israelis for each of the casualties of the last week.

But more than one speaker announced hopes for weekly demonstrations, as long as the daily demonstrations continue on the other side of the Green Line. Whether the rallies will move from the iron ram's shadow to the shadows of Tumarkin's Holocaust memorial, remains to be seen.

Pint-sized artists try to create pictures of peace

By JONATHAN KARP

For *The Jerusalem Post* RAMAT HASHARON — Not so far from the unrest in the West Bank and Gaza, 120 Arab and Jewish children met here on Thursday and painted pictures of peace.

Chamber music filled the rooms of the community centre in Ramat Hasharon's Morasha neighbourhood while the children eagerly dipped their brushes and often their fingers into globs of paint during the "Day for the Creation of Peace."

"The theme is peace, but we wanted to get away from what most kids think of first," said Nomi Shander, director of Interns for Peace, which organized the one-day event. "Arab children tend to interpret peace as a man wearing a keffiyeh. Jews paint a man with a kippa and both add a dove," she said.

Another group painted panoramas as seen from their rooms at home. "When they are all done, we'll have a complete view of the country. It's kind of like opening French doors onto Israel," artist Nurit Gur-Lavi said.

Shander said the idea for the event came from a Jewish-Arab art exhibit held last summer in Kfar Sava. Afterwards, Interns for Peace solicited children's works through community centres in cities and schools in Arab villages. Of the 230 youngsters who sent in pictures, 120 youngsters — 60 Jewish, 60 Arab — were chosen to participate.

Interns for Peace now intends to select the best works for a calendar which will include all Jewish, Moslem and Christian holidays, Shander explained.

One of the objectives of the event was to have the children work together despite the fact that few of the Jews knew Arabic and the Arabs were hesitant about speaking Hebrew. "I have done a lot of work with Jewish and Arab kids, and find that these non-verbal meetings, either for creative activities or sports, work best," artist Adi Yash said. "Here, they don't talk; they just do it, and some kids just don't stop."



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SPORTS



SOMETHING NEW OUT OF AFRICA. — Betar Jerusalem fans are anxiously hoping that Amara-Lefkowitz is cogitating over the possibility of leaving Sun City to respond to Betar's SOS.



BALLET. — Eli Dricks of Maccabi Tel Aviv (centre) appears to be performing in a ballet with Betar Jerusalem's Udi Ashash and Avi Cohen (right).

MATCH REPORT: Mac. TA 1, Betar J'lem 2

Uri heads Betar back from the dead

By JEFF BLACK
RAMAT GAN. — Betar Jerusalem's Uri Maimon put his renowned footballing head to good but unfamiliar use in the 86th minute of yesterday's game to glance in Moshe Selektor's thereby giving the league champions a surprise — some would say miraculous — 2-1 away victory against Maccabi Tel Aviv.

Maimon always uses his head but rarely scores with it. This brilliant goal may perhaps signal the start of Betar's recovery after their dismal first half to the season, which led to coach Mordechai Spiegler's resignation after last week's traumatic 4-0 home defeat at the hands of Betar Tel Aviv.

Not that Betar are any closer to finding a coach to replace Spiegler. After the game, Betar chairman Ben-Zion Ben-Zion said he hoped Amara-Lefkowitz, currently on holiday here, would consider staying on for the rest of the season. But Lefkowitz, who stepped in last week

to keep the coach's seat warm for a week or so, said he would be returning to South Africa and his Sun City team at the end of the week.

SOCCER REVIEW

Post Sports Staff
Three first-class matches crammed with goals and thrills rewarded those faithful fans who defied the elements and turned out to watch the soccer yesterday. In fact, of the 14 National and Second Division games scheduled, only two Second Division games were postponed because play was impossible, while the rest of the games were played under ideal conditions for football.

Goals and thrills for the faithful

The matches that delighted the fans were those between Maccabi Tel Aviv and Betar Jerusalem at Ramat Gan (See Match Report); Maccabi Netanya vs. Hapoel Petah Tikva at Maccabi; Bnei Yehuda vs. Maccabi Haifa at the Hatikva Quarter.

Netanya, the league leaders now by the wide margin of eight points, showed that they really are championship class after Yossi Shoshani of Petah Tikva had shocked them with a first-class goal in the twelfth minute.

For nearly 20 minutes they seemed to be rattled — then they launched a furious onslaught that resulted in two goals by Shalom Tikva and one by Ronen Gabai in the space of six minutes. Four minutes after the interval, Yigal Menachem scored a beautiful set-piece goal from 20 metres out, at an acute angle. Hapoel Petah Tikva went on fighting, and their courage was rewarded four minutes later when Nir Levin netted a penalty.

Arsenal and Everton — Liverpool's challengers?

By YORAM KESSEL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
HIGHBURY, LONDON. — The most pertinent question current in English league football is: can anybody stop Liverpool?

The official in charge, Kenneth Redfern, sporting a balding pate and round middle rather like our own Zvi Shari's, was rather more lenient with offenders than Shari is. Despite their trap, Arsenal could not stop a foraging Peter Reid, who battled his way through with determination down the left, and crossed for Dave Watson to sidefoot home from close range shortly before half-time.

With both sides looking rather like somnambulists affected by the unseasonably balmy weather, Arsenal looked as if they would go into the end-of-year festivities with little to show for their trouble. Then, suddenly, Paul Davis sparked them to life, and the game itself followed suit. It became all fire and brimstone. The fire was Arsenal, the brimstone was Everton, as Davis twice forced good saves from Neville Southall.

It was poetic justice that a failed offside trap yielded a goal — but Everton were unlucky that they were the ones to suffer. David Royle, looking fearfully offside, made no mistake eight minutes from the end when left 1-on-1 against Southall.

ENGLISH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Team	P	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	19	14	5	44	11	47
Arsenal	20	12	4	34	15	40
Nottingham Forest	18	11	4	31	15	37
Manchester U.	19	9	6	23	30	35
Everton	20	9	7	29	33	34
QPR	20	9	5	23	24	32
Wimbledon	19	8	6	23	24	32
Chelsea	19	8	3	28	23	32
West Ham	20	6	8	23	23	28
Leeds	19	7	4	23	23	28
Sunderland	20	6	7	20	29	26
Derby	18	6	6	16	19	24
Coventry	20	6	6	16	28	24
Tottenham	19	5	7	23	29	22
Sheff. Wed	20	5	7	23	29	22
Newcastle	20	6	4	10	22	22
Sheff. Utd	20	6	3	11	20	21
Nottingham Forest	20	4	7	14	23	19
Wolves	19	4	5	13	24	17
Charlton	19	3	5	13	24	15

ENGLISH LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Team	P	D	L	F	A	Pts
Blackburn	24	14	4	35	14	48
Reading	24	14	4	35	14	48
Sheff. Wed	24	12	4	35	21	44
Sheff. Utd	24	12	3	35	21	44
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SCOTTISH PREMIER

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Celtic	25	15	8	2	47	38
Dundee	26	15	8	3	48	38
Hearts	26	14	10	2	48	38
Aberdeen	25	13	5	46	17	35
Rangers	25	13	5	46	17	35
Dundee U.	26	9	7	10	28	33
Hibernian	26	7	9	11	32	22
Motherwell	26	7	2	16	38	17
Dunfermline	26	4	6	15	25	14
Park	26	4	6	15	25	14

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DAVIS CUP FINAL: Sweden 3, India 0

Power defeats artistry

GOTHENBURG, Sweden (Reuters) — Sweden reinforced their status as the most powerful force in men's tennis by regaining the Davis Cup yesterday. It was the fourth time they had won the trophy.

Having captured both opening singles against India on Friday for the total loss of just 15 games, the Swedes ended any lingering hopes of an Indian fairytale recovery when Joakim Nyström and Mats Wilander beat Anand and Vijay Amritraj 6-2, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2.

The Nyström-Wilander combination, the 1986 Wimbledon champions, were pressed into action when Stefan Edberg had to pull out of the doubles partnership with Anders Jarryd because of an ankle injury.

BASKETBALL

Tall order for streaking Ramat Gan

By DON GOULD
Post Basketball Reporter
Maccabi Ramat Gan, looking for their eighth consecutive league win, have their work cut out for them tomorrow night in the last round of basketball action before the mid-season break.

front line of Kevin Magee and Ken Barlow should be too much for Ramat Gan's big men to handle. Doron Jamchee and Mickey Berkowitz in the backcourt should also give them fits, though Ramat Gan's team play may well give the champions a run for their money.

It should be a barn burner at Ushishkin stadium tomorrow, where Hapoel Tel Aviv host Hapoel Holon, as two of the better teams in the league clash for the first time. Hapoel Tel Aviv were riding high in the early part of the season, but recent losses to Maccabi Tel Aviv, Maccabi Ramat Gan and Galil Elyon have reined them in.

Orthez signing 2.06-metre American

ORTHEZ (Reuters) — French basketball club Elan Bearnais Orthez, who have lost three of their first four matches in the European Champions' Cup final pool, are signing American Brian Rowson, club sources said on Friday.

Rowson, 22 and 2.06 metres tall, played for the University of North Carolina before signing as a professional with the Indiana Pacers, for whom he played just four matches.

Defending European champions Tracer Milan, who beat Maccabi Tel Aviv 99-93 on Thursday night at Yad Eliyahu, are joint leaders of the final pool with Aris Saloniki and Partizan Belgrade.

NBA

Sampson's rookie spirit not enough to beat L.A.

NEW YORK (AP) — Ralph Sampson played with the enthusiasm of a rookie in his first game with the Golden State Warriors.

That would have been fine against most teams, but the Los Angeles Lakers played with the enthusiasm of champions down the stretch and beat the Warriors 113-106 on Thursday night by outscoring them 22-5 in the final 6:39.

"I came in here off a long flight, but very excited and with a new attitude as though I was just drafted out of college," said Sampson, who had 24 points and eight rebounds in his debut with the Warriors after being acquired from Houston in a blockbuster trade last Saturday night.

CRICKET

KARACHI, (Reuters) — England skipper Mike Gatting is resigned to defeat in the strife-torn series against Pakistan, as the third Test looks as if it will end in a draw and Pakistan are one Test up.

LAWN BOWLS

BY JACK LEON
Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Israeli bowls has entered a new era with the qualification of the country's first 12 officially-recognized men and women coaches.

The 12 were appointed following an intensive 10-day course conducted for the Israel Bowls Association recently by Julius Sergay, national president of the South African Bowls Coaches Council.

Foreman back for the money

LAS VEGAS (Reuters) — Former world heavyweight champion George Foreman gave his comeback efforts a boost on Friday when he stopped fellow-American Rocky Sekorski in the third round of their non-title bout.

Foreman, who turns 40 next month, bludgeoned the unheralded Sekorski into submission at 2:48 of the third. After a 10-year layoff, Foreman has won all five of his recent fights by knockout.

SCOREBOARD

FRENCH LEAGUE SOCCER — Monaco ensured they remained on top of the French championship after their final match before the winter break when they beat Paris St Germain 2-1 on Friday.

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Deadly dialogue

COEXISTENCE was not much in evidence in Jerusalem yesterday. Violent Arab riots in the eastern portion of the city gave notice for those Israelis disposed to believe otherwise that the prospects of tranquility in the capital cannot be isolated from developments in the West Bank and Gaza.

At the same time, continued Sabbath stone throwings by ultra-orthodox demonstrators, further extending an over-extended police, gave notice that these demonstrators will not be deterred by the capital's physical or political distress to serve their own particularist ends.

Normalcy, or at least what we have come to consider normalcy, in the territories and in the capital, will, of course, be restored. But the question raised by the last fortnight's wave of Arab demonstrations is whether that normalcy will now be accompanied by a qualitative change in the Palestinian alienation from the status quo.

Israel's governmental authorities prefer to interpret the demonstrations as a temporary aggravation for which the Palestinians themselves, in the form of dead and wounded, have had to pay a heavy price. And responsibility for that price is theirs.

But across the national and political divide the picture appears different. There the price is interpreted as symbolic of proud resistance, as the cost of a confrontational strategy more effective than terrorism. For it has brought damage to Israel's image abroad, sharp denunciations from the West, including the U.S., and intense strain upon the already tenuous relations with Egypt.

The danger, therefore, is that both sides will dig deeper into their illusions. Israel officialdom, both political and military, will resort to the fixed premise that any incremental rise in rioting will simply be met by an incremental rise in counter force, until the demonstrators, and those behind them, give up. And the local Palestinian ring leaders may be tempted to resort to more riots in order to provoke ever tougher Israeli reaction on the assumption that this will further radicalize the population and isolate Israel politically, until it must give up.

Both such conclusions would be tragic. For Israeli military force cannot impose Israel's political will on the Palestinians, just as demonstrations and suffering cannot impose Palestinian political will upon Israel.

The only way out of such a dialogue of violence is to open a credible channel of political negotiation. This is the safety valve that both sides so desperately need.

Yet it is dismaying to consider that as long as the Palestinians equate negotiation with the PLO and Israel equates it with the goal of "Greater Israel" that safety valve will remain closed.

EGYPTIAN PROTEST

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that could "relieve tensions between Israel and its Arab neighbours."

He said the U.S. has urged restraint on all sides. "The president's very disturbed about that," he added.

Asked whether Reagan had communicated his feelings to Israel, Fitzwater replied: "There have been communications with Israel. I don't know the exact channel."

At the State Department, spokesman Charles Redman urged everyone concerned to "avoid confrontations" and to work "to change the prevailing atmosphere, which is one of tension and mutual distrust."

He said the U.S. has "always counselled avoiding the use of lethal arms in circumstances such as this" on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Israel's UN ambassador, Binyamin Netanyahu, acknowledged in a Cable News Network television interview that riot control "under any circumstances is a very difficult thing." He charged that the latest riots in the territories were "incited" by the PLO. He said Israel was doing its best to ease the tensions.

"But I must tell you," he added, "look at the demonstrations you had in France a year ago. Students were killed. Demonstrations and riots in other places - in Mecca, 400 killed in one day; 600 in India. So it's very, very hard to do. So you try to do it with a minimal loss of life."

Meanwhile, the major U.S. news media are continuing to report extensively on the disturbances in the territories to the deep embarrassment of Israeli officials and their most active supporters.

ISRAELI ARABS

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school students, the Arab land protection committee and other public bodies.

The decision to call a general strike of the Israeli-Arab sector was unanimous. In emotional and often bitter diatribes, speaker after speaker condemned the "brutality" of the security forces in putting down the "civil uprising."

"All the Arabs in Israel feel what is happening in the territories like a wound on their own bodies," declared Shifram Mayor Ibrahim Nimr Hussein, chairman of the National Committee of Arab Local Councils. "We would be traitors if we did not strike. It is our duty to show solidarity with the battle of the Palestinian people," said MK Mohammed Miar of the Progressive List for Peace.

Mapam MK Mohammed Wadat said the proposed strike was also intended to arouse the conscience of the Jewish people to the terrible events taking place in the territories. Similar comments were expressed by DFPE MK and Nazareth Mayor Tawfik Ziad and Labour MK Abdel Wahab Darousha.

It was clear from the unanimous decision to stage a general strike that the issue cut across all political and religious divisions within the Israeli-Arab community.

A statement issued on behalf of all the participants called on the government to put an end to the bloodletting and seek a peaceful solution to the problem under the auspices of a UN-sponsored international peace conference, with the participation of all the parties involved, including the PLO as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

The Arab leaders demanded Israel's withdrawal from the territories and for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel.

Kafir Yassif local council chairman Nimr Murkos said that a minute of silence would be observed throughout the Israeli-Arab community at noon tomorrow for those killed and wounded in the course of the recent riots. Special prayers would be said in mosques and churches.

He noted that the Arab leaders had called on the public not to demonstrate or create any disturbances on the day of the stoppage which they have termed "The strike for Peace."

TWO KILLED

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Christmas celebrations. Palestinian sources said a crowd of demonstrators gathered opposite the municipality in Manger Square, shouted slogans condemning mayor Elias Freij and vandalized a Christmas tree and decorations. This could not be confirmed by the IDF.

A man was shot in the leg at Dahiya south of Hebron after protesters threw stones at soldiers and cars, and burned tyres. At the Islamic College in Hebron, a woman student was overcome by tear-gas when troops broke up a crowd which had set up roadblocks and pelted them with stones.

Commercial strikes were reported in Nablus, Tulkarm and Kalkilya. The PLO executive committee in Baghdad called yesterday on Palestinians to observe a general strike tomorrow.

In Hebron on Friday, a burning rag was thrown into the cabin of an IDF ambulance. The driver threw the rag out, and later fired in the air to disperse a crowd which gathered at the scene. A patrol which rushed to the area also fired in the air.

A delegation of Herut party members led by MK Michael Eitan, visited the area of the Balata camp on Friday and distributed jelly donuts to soldiers. Eitan said the visit was aimed at boosting the morale of the troops.

A GENERATION of Gazans has grown up in a narrow 9.5 km. by 40 km. strip that simmers with anti-Israel hatred. The embittered populace accuses the military government of denying them their legitimate rights.

Just how harsh that military occupation has become is a subject for debate. But one thing is certain: Compared to their Egyptian predecessor, the Israeli rulers are angels.

The January 2, 1978 issue of *Time* magazine carries a report by its Cairo correspondent, Robert Ajemian, who described a morning with President Sadat: "After breakfast, Sadat went through two hours of interviews and meetings, including one with an emotional group of 160 Palestinian Arabs who had travelled from Gaza. He made a ringing speech, saying that Egypt would never abandon them, and the grateful Arabs swarmed around to embrace and kiss him."

What the correspondent - like so many other journalists - failed to state was that the Gaza Strip was a stark memorial to Egyptian callousness and inhumanity that even their fellow Arabs were prompted to denounce. For 19 long years, 15 of them while Sadat was a leading member of the Egyptian government, the strip was ruled with an iron fist from Cairo. No politician, including those in and outside Israel who today vociferously condemn the military government, are on record as ever having proposed a resolution at the UN condemning Egypt or, heaven forbid, calling for self-rule.

THE EGYPTIAN army was totally in charge of the strip. Under a "constitution" drawn up by the Egyptians, all legislative powers were invested in the Egyptian military commander, who controlled the civil administration. All political parties except one endorsed by the Egyptians were banned. The military governor also headed the judiciary, from which there was no appeal.

No elections were ever held. A puppet legislature, hand-picked by the Egyptians, automatically ratified all legislation that the governor brought before it. In 1965, even this facade of local autonomy collapsed when the Egyptian Army dissolved the legislative assembly.

No one was permitted to leave the strip without a permit, even to travel to Egypt. If pass-holders failed to return to the strip at the stipulated time, the authorities took steps against their families.

The Egyptian governor sequestered land and property at will. Refugees were prohibited by law from purchasing or owning land. Thousands of young male residents were forcibly conscripted into the Egyptian Army. Many were sent to fight Nasser's war in the Yemen; others were dispatched into Israel to murder and undertake acts of sabotage.

Gaza and its occupiers

Eliezer Whartman

THE PLO controlled the refugee camps, determining which families would receive rations. Three-fourths of the able-bodied males were unemployed. Medical and social services were almost non-existent. The Egyptians did nothing to help farmers, develop industry or erect housing. The population was left to decay without sewage, piped water, electricity or roads.

THE ONE THING that flourished was the indoctrination of the inhabitants with a virulent hatred for Israel, which began at a very young age. As a correspondent who visited Gaza shortly after its capture by the Israelis in 1967, I was stunned by pictures found in Unwra kindergartens that children had drawn, with the encouragement of their teachers, depicting themselves killing Israeli children.

Jews were caricatured in the worst Nazi fashion. One text for the third grade, entitled *Arabic Islamic History*, read: "The Jews are always the same, every time, everywhere. They dwell only in darkness. They secretly plan to do evil. They fight only from under cover because they are cowards... We must purify holy Palestine from their filth in order to restore peace to the Arab homeland."

The small Christian population suffered from extreme repression. The treatment meted out to the Gazans was so harsh that Radio Mecca was moved to make this broadcast

on March 10, 1962: "On this occasion, we would like to ask Cairo: What is this Iron Curtain that Abdul Nasser and his cohorts have lowered around Gaza and the refugees there? They are the very methods which the dictator Hitler used on the countries he occupied. Nasser, who claims to be the pioneer of Arab nationalism, treats the Arab population of Gaza with complete inhumanity. They starve while the Egyptian governor and his officers revel in the wealth of the strip."

Egypt's policy for the strip was clearly spelled out by its deputy military governor, Mohammed Afaga, in an interview appearing in the Danish newspaper *Aktuel* on February 9, 1967:

Question: Why don't you allow the refugees to enter other Arab countries? Syria, for example, would be able to absorb vast numbers of them. Are you afraid that this would weaken their national bonds and that their hatred for Israel would disappear?

Answer: You have supplied the answer yourself. Syria could take all of them, and the problem would be solved. But we do not want that. They are to return to Palestine."

Arab refusal to solve the refugee problem has been cited repeatedly in Unwra reports. The Arab attitude was pitifully summed up by Alexander Galloway, an Unwra official who quit his job in frustration. He wrote: "The Arab states don't want to solve the refugee problem. They want to keep it as an open sore, as a weapon against Israel."

Arab leaders don't give a damn whether the refugees live or die. DURING THE 19 years that Egypt controlled the Gaza Strip, no effort was ever made to create an independent state. No nation is on record as advocating one, or in even demanding UN action on Gaza. Today, of course, things are different. Israel controls the area, and those nations that were mum while the strip was turned into a living hell are indignant about Israel's occupation policy. Now even Egypt is critical of Israel.

The Egyptians wisely refused to incorporate Gaza within their borders. Jordan doesn't want Gaza. And so Israel is saddled with the strip. Many observers believe that Israel should unilaterally pull out of the area, proclaim Gaza to be independent, and inform the UN that it - the world - is now responsible for that unhappy population.

It is not Israel's actions that have created the seething bitterness in Gaza. Anti-Israel hatred was nurtured during 19 years of repressive Egyptian rule in the area. It fed upon the frustration of the Gazans, whose situation was hopeless. Today, ironically, Jordan and Syria are among the leaders of the campaign to get Israel condemned at the UN for its "inhuman" treatment of the refugees - Jordan, killed thousands of the refugees in "Black September," 1970, and Syria, whose President Assad butchered almost 30,000 men, women and children in two days in Hama!

The obvious solution is negotiation to solve the problem of the Gaza Strip. But with whom?

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Israel's Trojan Horse

Alexander Zvielli

to move onwards; that was and still is the basic rule of the warfare. While it is true that we reached Jordan, it is also true that when the fighting was over and peace offered, there was no one to pick up the option.

The ancient Greeks were hardly able to breach the walls of the impregnable Troy. The Arab nations find it similarly difficult to breach the borders of the young Jewish state. The ancient Greeks fought a long series of magnificent battles, deeply convinced of their overwhelming strategic superiority. But ancient Troy, just like modern Israel, couldn't be taken frontally. The Arab states, instead of negotiating with Israel and bringing peace to the area, sat in Khartoum where they pronounced their famous three "Noes," leaving the West Bank's Trojan Horse in our midst.

WE ALL KNOW that both the Palestinian refugee question and the problem of the territories are in fact

The occupation and the Arab refugee problem are the Trojan Horse set up by our enemies. While it is true that occupation sows confusion within our ranks - it remains our supreme task - our sole bargaining chip is negotiations with the enemy.

MEANWHILE, the sentiments of our noble youth provide a suitable accompaniment to the Arab propaganda orchestra. But such eloquent proclamations are certainly out of tune with our own historical experience. The problems of an Arab-Israeli peace cannot be solved or influenced by individual and sentimental pressures - it demands major and serious government negotiations. There are many Jews and Arabs within Israel and the territories who have never met and spoken to one another. Our youth would do better in search of a direct and individual contact and understanding.

My dear boys and girls, today pupils and tomorrow our much-needed brave defenders - keep close watch on the Arab Trojan Horse placed in our midst. You are our hope and it will be your ultimate patience and understanding that will pave our thorny road to a permanent and lasting peace.

The writer is a Jerusalem-based freelance journalist.

WHENEVER I walk through the streets of Jerusalem, and in particular near the Central Bus Station, I watch with a special interest the faces of our young soldiers. I know that they are our sole defenders - separating us from that avalanche of hatred streaming across our borders.

I remember well those crucial and bloody days of the battle for Castel and Jerusalem. I recall those short-sleeved, almost amateurish groups of young men and women who manned the heavily bombarded ramparts of Ramat Rahel, Notre Dame monastery and Sanhedria. It was due to their courage that we survived and shall soon celebrate the 40th anniversary of our independence in a free, united and golden Jerusalem.

Today, it is painful to recall, for me and so many of my veteran colleagues, those passionate letters - recently published and televised by some of our high school pupils. They claimed to have formed a movement of people who refuse to serve in the areas that some call Judea and Samaria, others the West Bank, or what is generally known as the administered or occupied territories.

To me, the "areas" are Israel's Trojan Horse - a source of constant

READERS' LETTERS

DOWNTOWN TALMUD TORA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - In the Jewish Encyclopedia published in the United States in 1904/5, there is the following paragraph in the entry about the size of the community in Jerusalem: "Some statistics of the year 1856 are due to the visit of Ludwig Frankl who went from Vienna to Jerusalem to found the Fran Elise von Herz-Lamel School. A section of the community was violently opposed to this foundation, fearing that a modern school would be inimical to Orthodox observance. Placards were put on the houses, lamentations recited, and prayers offered at the Walling Wall. Frankl however was successful."

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ERIC LUCAS

BEAUTIFUL BEERSHEBA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - In his otherwise excellent article on the Ben-Gurion University Medical School (November 25), Bradley Burston calls Beersheba a "just-a-pan-desert outpost" and "Israel's baked-out, neglected backyard."

Yes, it is hot and dry in the summer, and yes, the Negev is low on government priority lists. But to characterize Beersheba in this manner is unjust.

Beersheba is spacious and thousands of trees meet the eye everywhere. It enjoys an enviable winter climate. Cultural assets include the Sinfonietta and the municipal theatre. Educational and leisure opportunities range from a fine music conservatory, an arts centre for youth, a visual arts centre and a Bat-Dor ballet school, to chess, bridge and scramble clubs, the unique Light Opera Group and the university's huge range of adult and youth evening classes, and sports facilities of every kind. As for traffic conditions, those of you in virtually every other major Israeli city can be jealous of us.

MARGO TEPPER-SCHOTZ

REFUND FROM IBA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - I have today sent a letter to the Director of the Israel Broadcasting Authority requesting a refund of NIS 23.33, this being the proportion of the annual broadcasting service fee for the period of two months during which no service was supplied.

One individual request for a refund may not have the desired effect but if a large number of the public write in a similar vein, then the massive number of demands may well produce results.

ALEXANDER TUCKMAN

FAMILIAR ROUTINE

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DISAPPOINTING COVERAGE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - I was disappointed with your newspaper's coverage of Mubarak Awad's talk at Beit Elisheva (December 2). Dr. Awad, Prof. Uriel Simon, the moderator of the evening, and questioners from the floor made many thoughtful comments, yet *The Jerusalem Post* did not report a single word of the content of the programme. Instead you printed a photograph of a "Kach movement member" being evicted from the hall.

Why - in the picture and in over half the caption describing it - did you give such disproportionate coverage to those who came to subvert the event, rather than to the content of the event itself?

RABBI SAUL PERLMUTTER

FANTASY AND REALITY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - Regarding the question of "transfer" in general, and Michael Asheri's letter of November 20 in particular, allow me to make one comment.

Even if we take the comment that "it is the common wish of virtually all Jews that the Arabs would simply go away" to be true, I should like to remind your readers that, in the field of mental health, a major distinction between the sane and the insane is that those of us purported to be sane do not act out our deepest wishes and fantasies. Mental health of the individual, as of the state, is the ability to make compromise with the restraints of reality.

DENNIS BERNSTEIN

REMEMBER THE POLLARDS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - When my wife and I were in Israel in January, February, and March of this year, *The Jerusalem Post* carried many reports about Jonathan Jay Pollard and his wife, Anne, and I suppose the Hebrew language papers did too. There appeared to be a great deal of support for the Pollards and criticism for the manner in which they had been treated both by Israel and in their sentencing in the United States.

I very much hope that both in Israel and in its international edition, *The Jerusalem Post* will keep the Pollards' case fresh before the public and prod Jewish leadership (and perhaps non-Jews as well) to speak out against the harshness of the sentencing and the treatment of the Pollards.

For those who have been condemnatory and those who are complacently willing to let the Pollards rot in silence, perhaps a dose from Sholomo Avineri would rouse them to thinking, and to rethinking their attitude toward the Pollards. Those who speak up now will not have to be ashamed later.

JACOB SEIDENBERG

FRIENDLY MELBOURNE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - I refer to Dr. Chayen's article, "Friendly Melbourne" of December 8.

As a Melbournean, I feel compelled to inform your readers that by far the largest Melbourne congregation is that of Temple Beth Israel (non-Orthodox) in St. Kilda and its congregation branches in the outer suburbs.

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To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - Here in the jungles of Africa, I have come to new insights into the Torah through Rabbi Peil's commentary, *Tora Today*. As a Bible student for the last 12 years, I have

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